

SNOW SHEDS BURNED

CUTS OFF TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION WITH THE EAST.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Word was received this afternoon that a bad fire had started in the snow sheds on the Southern Pacific line, near Truckee. The flames, it was reported, had delayed many trains and had also cut off all telegraphic communication with the East along that line. It is now learned that the fire has been extinguished.

URGE SELECTION OF FAIRBANKS

(By Associated Press.)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 26.—Resolutions were adopted unanimously today at the biennial love feast of Indiana Republicans urging the nomination of Vice President Charles W. Fairbanks for the Presidency.

CHANGE ROOMS IN CRIPPLE CREEK

COLORADO SPRINGS, Dec. 26.—A special from Cripple Creek to the Telegram says:
The "change room" in the larger of the mines of the Cripple Creek district will again be adopted, the new one to go into effect on January 1st. This decision has been reached by a number of the larger mines, and it is expected that the system will be placed in effect in all the mines where high grade ore is found. The re-adoption of the change room, say mine owners, is directly due to the "high grading" which has recently become more pronounced than ever in the Cripple Creek district.
The initiative was taken by the Golden Cycle Company.

BRADLEY BOYS SUE FOR ESTATE

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 26.—The clause of his will in which he expressly disavows the paternity of Mrs. Anna Bradley's children, is now offered as evidence that the late Senator Arthur Brown was not of sound and disposing mind when the will was drawn.
By their guardian ad litem, Mrs. Mary Maddison, mother of Mrs. Bradley, Arthur Brown Bradley and Montgomery Bradley, today filed suit to break the will of the man their mother shot down in Washington.
It is contended that Brown had so frequently avowed the children that the disavowal in the will proves an abnormal state of mind and this abnormality is attributed by the complaint to habitual intoxication.
The Brown estate is valued at \$50,000.

MANY NITRATE STRIKERS KILLED

VALPARAISO, Dec. 26.—According to official statement the recent encounters at Iquique between nitrate strikers and the police resulted in the killing of 210 men and the wounding of about fifty.

STREET RAILWAY FORECLOSURE

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Judge Grosscup of the United States Circuit Court today entered a decree of foreclosure on the properties of the Union Traction Company, which operates the street car systems on the North and West sides of this city, and ordered them sold. The property will be bought in by the Chicago Railway Company.

NEGROES PLAN To Retaliate For Recent Lynching IN OKLAHOMA

Purchase Ammunition and Sixty Stand of Small Arms --Are Reported as Marching Upon Town of Henrietta.

(By Associated Press.)
HENRIETTA, Okla., Dec. 26.—With every available fighting man sworn in as a deputy and only 1200 rounds of ammunition in town, Henrietta is fearing a deadly race war as the result of the lynching of James Gardeh, a negro. Reports of armed negroes advancing upon the town have been received from both the Wild Cat and Clear View settlements. Three citizen patrols have been established.
About sixty stands of small arms were purchased by the negroes in Waleetka before the hardware stores quit selling to the blacks. Many negroes have left Okmulgee and are headed toward Wild Cat to join forces with a band that passed through that town early in the evening.

Tom Patterson Is Beaten by Bonfils

(By Associated Press.)
DENVER, Colo., Dec. 26.—A warrant was sworn out tonight for the arrest of Fred G. Bonfils, one of the proprietors of the Denver Post. The warrant was sworn to by ex-United States Senator Thomas M. Patterson as the result of an encounter between the two men at an early hour this morning, during which Senator Patterson was knocked down and painfully injured. The encounter was the culmination of a newspaper fight which has been going on for some years between the proprietors of the Post and Senator Patterson, who is the principal stockholder of the News-Times Publishing Company. Senator Patterson is nearly 70 years old, and Mr. Bonfils is 44.

Judge Woods Denies Motion for Acquittal

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 26.—Too ill to stand while speaking to the jury, Clarence Darrow, chief counsel for the defense in the Pettibone trial, sat in his chair this afternoon as he outlined his case. He spoke with effort at times and never raised his voice above conversational tones. Darrow's statement made it evident that to a great degree the same line of defense would be followed as in the Haywood trial. Judge Wood this morning denied the motion filed by the defense that a verdict of acquittal be advised by the court. In the opinion of the court sufficient corroborative evidence was shown to connect Pettibone with conspiracy and to warrant the submission of the case to the jury.

Funston Explains to Governor of Nevada

GOLDFIELD, Dec. 26.—There is no change in the situation, and everything is quiet here tonight. There had been considerable feeling in regard to the alleged interview with General Funston, published in the San Francisco Examiner, but the letter received by Governor Sparks from the General explains matters. The General has not changed his opinion of the need of the troops in Goldfield, and he explains the interview by the statement that while he was not misquoted, what he had to say had been amplified, and that the part regarding the miners was left out of the interview, which left him in a compromising position. The letter is as follows:
"Headquarters Department of California, San Francisco, Cal.
"San Francisco, Dec. 21, 1907.
"Hon. John Sparks,
"Governor of Nevada,
"Carson City, Nevada.
"My dear Governor—You will un-

(By Associated Press.)
GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 26.—Governor Haskell, early this morning, was in communication with the sheriff of Okmulgee county. The sheriff reported that although the situation is desperate, everything was quiet, but that he was of opinion that the worst of the trouble had passed. The county is populated largely by blacks and many of them are of a most desperate character. A company of militia will be sent to the scene of the trouble at the first sign of an outbreak.

POWERS CASE IS NEARING AN END

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Dec. 26.—The case of Caleb Powers, on trial for alleged complicity in the murder of William Goebel, will probably go to the jury shortly. The greater part of today was taken up by testimony in contradiction of that of Henry E. Youtsey.

CASE OF BANKER WALSH.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Judge Anderson in the United States District Court today overruled a motion to take the case of John R. Walsh from the jury.

DEATH OF NEWSPAPER MAN.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Albert G. Beauvais, assistant to the publisher of the Daily News, and one of the most widely known newspaper men in the country, died suddenly today.

clined to believe that I had been at first that disorders would not necessarily follow the removal of the troops. I did not enter into the merits of the controversy between the mine owners and the union at all, further than to say that, while there might be a shadow of excuse for the present strike, there had never been any for the ones preceding it. On this careful and conservative statement, Mr. Healy made quite an interview, not misquoting me in important particulars, but amplifying everything that I said in favor of the miners' union and leaving out almost entirely my statements not in their favor. I deem it only fair both to yourself and myself to make this statement, as knowing the dispatches sent by me from Goldfield you might think that I was weakening in my support of you. Of course it is not my function to give you advice, but I trust that you will take this from a sincere friend and well wisher. As the troops are going to be removed, it does seem to me that you must consider the organization of a militia force in Goldfield. Even if there are not outbreaks in that camp, there will be so much uneasiness and alarm that a great many citizens will leave. I am inclined to think that policy will now prevent the miners' union from taking any radical steps even after the removal of the troops; but there is no getting around the fact that the situation is a dangerous one. I believe that the great majority of the members of the Western Federation in Goldfield are well intentioned, law-abiding men; but the minority of dangerous ones have it in their power to kick up considerable of a row.
"Very sincerely yours,
"FREDERICK FUNSTON."

The mine owners have filed a suit in Carson, seeking to enjoin the Western Federation from interfering with the working of the mines. The complaint also asks the dissolution of the Western Federation on the ground that it is a combination in restraint of interstate commerce, and that it is engaged in a conspiracy.
The mine owners have not met Vice President Mahoney of the Western Federation of Miners, and it is declared that they will not confer with him, on the ground that he has nothing to offer that will not include the reinstatement of Federation men.

POLICE SUSPECT MURDER

WOMAN'S BODY FOUND SUBMERGED IN WATER OF POND.

(By Associated Press.)
NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 26.—A murder combining all the elements of mystery and deliberate cruelty, was committed in Hackensack's Meadow, in the town of Harrison, early today. The nude body of the victim, a comely woman of perhaps 30 years, was found nearly submerged in the icy waters of a little pond. The body had not been identified tonight and its description does not correspond with that of any woman reported to the police as missing. Two men who occupied a yacht moored near where the body was found, are detained by the police. Life had been extinct, the coroner said, about ten hours. Marks on the neck indicated that strangulation was the manner of death. Scratches on the leg and trunk and pieces of cinder forced into the flesh showed that the body had been dragged along a cinder path which skirts the pond. Along the path the police picked up a white silk waist slashed up the back, a skirt, pair of silk garters, sealskin muff and a fur neck piece.

THE PRESIDENT IS CHASING TURKEYS

(By Associated Press.)
CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va., Dec. 26.—After a muddy drive of three hours over almost bottomless roads, President Roosevelt and party reached "Pine Knot" shortly before 6 o'clock. The party occupied three traps, with the President, Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Carew in the first, Kermit, Archie and Quentin in the second, and Dr. Finney and Jos. Wilmer in the third. After alighting from the train at North Garden, the President greeted the crowd cordially. The party carried as much baggage and stuff as a traveling theatrical troupe. Tomorrow morning will find the President up bright and early on his way to the turkey runs in the Green Mountains.

RESCUE WORK WAS RESUMED

(By Associated Press.)
JACOBS CREEK, Pa., Dec. 26.—The work of removing bodies from the Darr mine was resumed today. In entry No. 29 numerous bodies were found, and it is said fully 100 bodies will be recovered from entry No. 27, as yet unexplored.

COTTON MILLS TO CURTAIL OUTPUT

(By Associated Press.)
BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The Arkwright Club, which represents the cotton mill interests of New England, at a meeting here today formally voted to curtail production 25 per cent between now and March 1st, in order to relieve conditions in the cloth markets of New York, Chicago, Boston and other large centers.
It is expected that at least 150,000 persons will be affected by the short time. More than 80 per cent of the spindles in New England are represented in the agreement.

DOCTOR PREDICTS OWN DEATH.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Joseph F. Piesen, department superintendent, employed by a Chicago packing firm, died tonight from lockjaw, resulting from a fracture of the nose which occurred a week ago. Dr. Piesen fell down a stairway in the laboratory of the packing plant. He diagnosed his own case, and gave it as his opinion several days ago that he would not recover.

REPORT INDICATES RECOVERY

BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES SEND THEIR FORMAL STATEMENTS.

(Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Under the call of the State banking department for reports of banking conditions on December 19, twenty-one trust companies and twenty-nine State banks of greater New York have filed their formal statements. The statement, as a whole, bears testimony to the quick recovery generally made and unwavering confidence of the great body of depositors.

FAMINE ADVICES FROM TURKEY

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The American board of commissioners for foreign missions has received advices from the interior of Turkey showing unusually severe famine conditions. Several hundred persons probably will starve during the winter unless relieved soon.

RAILROAD FROM ELY TO TONOPAH

EXAMINATION AND SURVEYS OF COUNTRY TO DETERMINE ROUTE.

The large interests operating in this camp have decided that on the first of the year the work of a thorough survey and examination of the country between this city and Tonopah and Goldfield be undertaken for the purpose of determining the feasibility of a railroad giving direct connection between the points. This important work will be under the general direction of Mr. Frank C. Armstrong. Its conduct has to do not only with the determination of a desirable route for the proposed railroad, but also with investigation of the country traversed for the purpose of determining whether or no the line can find tributary territory of sufficient value to warrant expectation of support to the road to extent that will make it an attractive investment.

That a feasible route can be found for the road there is little or no doubt so far as the engineering end is concerned. Whether a feasible route is available from the business producing viewpoint is another question, one which will require a good deal of careful consideration, in the course of which those along the route will have opportunity to put their best foot forward in showing what they have to attract railroad construction.

A force will be put in the field early in January and will probably spend several months in carrying out the thorough investigation and surveying which is called for. If building is determined upon, however, things can be made to move fast and if the past record of the manager affords criterion, there will be some construction record breaking on the new line.

It has been understood for some time that a line would probably be built to connect the city with Goldfield and Tonopah. Occasion exists for the belief that but for the trouble in financial circles since the middle of the year the preliminary work of investigation of the country would now be out of the way and building possibly going ahead. Surveys have been made over a couple of routes and considerable data is in hand. However, there is need for much more preliminary work, as indicated above.

The principal traffic which the pro-